

To Whom It May Concern:

I have used an independant Internet Service Provider (ISP) for over 10 years and have been exceptionally pleased with both the price and service. I have specifically chosen NOT to take service with the large telephone utility in my area. I urge you to not change the current rules which allow other service providers to use the telephone company's network. If this is changed, it will create a virtual monopoly for a single user and that user will be at the mercy of price and service. This is exactly analogous to the Long Distance providers in years past. The telephone companies were required to allow the Long Distance providers access over their networks. The result was reasonably priced Long Distance for the masses. Now we see that the large telephone utilities are trying this monopolistic move again with internet access. This must not be allowed. We must not allow a virtual monopoly system to be developed. I urge you to not approve the request of Qwest and other large telephone utilities. I do not believe that Qwest's unregulated DSL pricing would continue to be fair since there is no other DSL provider in my area. Also, I wish to be able to continue to use the ISP of my choice.

Sincerely,

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